

From: [Delgado, Eric](#)
To: [Enders, Jhana](#)
Cc: [Webster, Susan](#)
Subject: Re: Draft Statement
Date: Sunday, November 16, 2014 2:25:24 PM

My response notify email listed them as the first federal official until you arrived on scene to take the lead role for the agency.

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On Nov 16, 2014, at 14:16, Enders, Jhana <Enders.Jhana@epa.gov> wrote:

Although I was glad CG helped us out, I would list them as an assisting agency and not responders since it is EPA lead...could cause confusion for authority issues since site is close to Houston ship channel

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On Nov 16, 2014, at 12:49 PM, Delgado, Eric <Delgado.Eric@epa.gov> wrote:

They need to add TCEQ and Sector Houston USCG to the list of responders. There were 4 fatalities and no injuries.

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On Nov 16, 2014, at 12:41, Webster, Susan <webster.susan@epa.gov> wrote:

Any comment send to me in next 30 mins. Tx

Jhana - any update from 10 am mtg that needs to be included?

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Taheri, Diane"
<Taheri.Diane@epa.gov>
Date: November 16, 2014 at 12:34:44 PM CST
To: "Edlund, Carl"
<Edlund.Carl@epa.gov>, "Webster, Susan" <webster.susan@epa.gov>, "Gray, David" <gray.david@epa.gov>
Subject: Draft Statement

Any comments? We have a request from the NYT.

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From: [Diane Taheri](#)

Sent: 11/16/2014 12:27 PM

To: [Taheri, Diane](#)

Subject:

On Saturday, November 15, 2014 at approximately 3:30am, the DuPont Laporte Facility experienced an apparent valve failure resulting in the release of Methyl Mercaptan, a chemical used in two insecticides that are manufactured at the facility. Emergency responders were notified, including the Channel Industries Mutual Aid, the county and EPA.

Four fatalities and one injury were reported as a result of the release. Air monitoring was conducted and as a precaution, a shelter-in-place order was issued for plant personnel. Initial reports indicate the chemical was not detected beyond the plant perimeter. EPA has been informed the U.S. Chemical Safety Board is sending a team to the site.